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Insurgent, Not U.S. Air Cover, Said Called Off

TOPEKA — Two of the planned air strikes for an invasion of Cuba in 1961 were cancelled by President Kennedy, Sen, Frank Carlson, R-Kan., told a meeting of Republican women Monday.

Carlson stressed, however, that the United States had not promised air cover for the Bay of Pigs; invasion.

Carlson, a member of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, said the Central Intelligence Agency and Department of Defense originally planned three air strikes. One strike, against Cuban planes on the ground was carried out but the other two were cancelled.

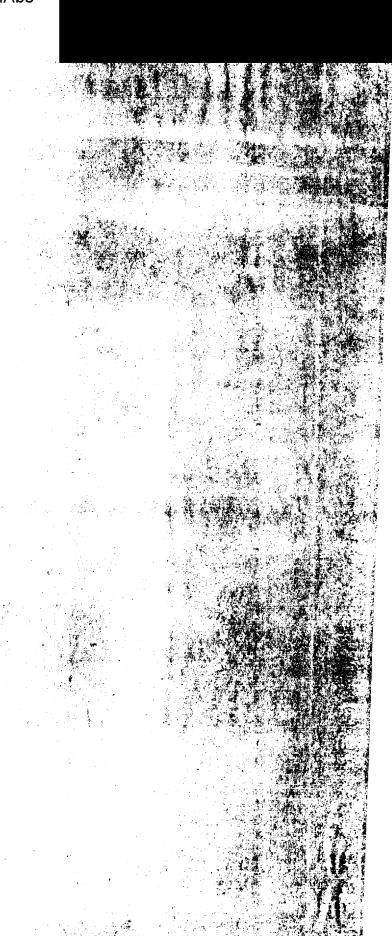
Carlson departed from his planned text to discuss the Cuban air cover situation. He explained the committee had received the information Friday, after his original speech had been prepared.

"The United Status did not prome ise air cover," he fold the Kansas Federation for Republican Women. "But the invasion was planned under the CIA, and three air strikes were planned to destory all Cuban six power on the ground.

The plans to make these strikes were hard on an island off Florida. Some of them were piloted by Arra icans, other by Cubans.

"The first strike by air on Cuba took place. When it was time for the second strike, they were told not to take of. The order came from the President; he has admitted it."

He said the It ident called off he air strikes, because of calls from Adlai Street and Chester Bowles who tout has this nation would lose friends to South America if the invasor, three supported in this manner.



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